

# Agency 57 - Nebraska Oil & Gas Commission

## Statutory Authority:

Statutory Authority: 57-104

Statutory Authority: 57-601 through 57-609

Statutory Authority: 57-901 through 57-922

## Vision Statement:

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## Mission Statement:

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## Goals:

The Commission continues to maintain a significant amount of data in our database, RBDMS. The Commission strives to possess and maintain as much oil and gas data as possible. Oil and gas data from The Nebraska Geological Survey will be gathered for import into RBDMS. Commission staff work daily to improve the quality and quantity of our data in RBDMS. The Commission will provide oil and gas data to the citizens of Nebraska in a manner that is easily accessible.

## Financial Data:

|                | Actual FY06 | Approp FY07 | Request FY08 | Recom FY08 | Request FY09 | Recom FY09 |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| General Fund   | 0           | 0           | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          |
| Cash Fund      | 512,318     | 510,930     | 560,410      | 548,856    | 560,545      | 561,098    |
| Federal Fund   | 84,132      | 95,640      | 90,000       | 91,707     | 90,000       | 93,551     |
| Revolving Fund | 0           | 0           | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          |
| Other Fund     | 0           | 0           | 0            | 0          | 0            | 0          |
| Total Agency   | 596,450     | 606,570     | 650,410      | 640,563    | 650,545      | 654,649    |

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### Program 335 - Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

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#### Program Objectives:

1. To promote the development of oil and gas resources within the state in such a manner as will prevent waste and be protective of correlative rights.
2. To insure that all drilling operations are conducted in an acceptable manner with a minimum potential for harm or damage to the environment, both surface and subsurface.
3. To provide that all wells are cased, cemented and/or plugged in a manner which will prevent migration of fluids from their source to other reservoirs or aquifers.
4. To maintain all well data, production, injection, and disposal data, and geologic data in the Risk Based Data Management System, RBDMS.
5. To provide public access to these databases via the Internet.

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#### Performance Measures:

1. Evaluation of the oil and gas conservation program would indicate that the continuing program is effective. The percentage of original oil-in-place that is produced from Nebraska reservoirs is among the highest in the nation even though the majority of Nebraska reservoirs are "under saturated depletion" types which exhibit low recovery. Secondary recovery has been very successful and new units continue to be established.